विदेश मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री आर०एल० भाटिया) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) प्रधान मंत्री को अभी तक रूस संघ, उक्रेन, कजाकस्तान, किर्गीजस्तान, तुर्कमेनिस्तान और उजबेकिस्तान से आमंत्रण प्राप्त हुए हैं । यात्राओं की तारीखें राजनयिक माध्यमों के जरिये तय की जायेंगी ।

Bhubaneswar passport office

3142. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Bhubaneswar Passport Office had a cadre officer as passport officers when it was opened;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for which Bhubaneswar Passport Office do not have cadre officers for the last so many years and run by section officers as Incharge Passport Officers; and

(c) whether Government would consider for the posting of cadre officers at Bhubaneswar Passport Office?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATTA): (a) and (b) From the time of its opening in February 1979 till September 1980, the Passport Office, Bhubaneswar was headed by a deputationist from ICAR. Since then except for a short period from December, 1984 to December 1985, the Office has been headed by officers of the Central Passport Organisation.

(c) Does not arise.

3143. [*Transferred to the 17th August,* 1992]

Offer of U.S. President to reduce tension between India and Pakistan

3144. SHRI S. S. AHALUWALIA: SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that U.S. President George Bush has offered his administration's good offices to act as an intermediary to reduce tension and facilitate dialogue between India and Pakistan; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) In a written interview to "India Abroad", President Bush is reported to have said that the United States "is always ready to act as an intermediary to reduce tension and facilitate dialogue" between India and Pakistan.

(b) Government are committed to the resolution of all outstanding issues between India and Pakistan bilaterally and peacefully within the framework of the Simla Agreement.

Nomination of non-official members on Committee/Boards

3145. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the various committees and/or Boards at various levels and in the various public sector organisations under the Ministry in which non-official members from the public are nominated or elected to represent various interests;

(b) how many of these committees are constituted and the names and addresses of the memebrs on each of these committees;

(c) what is the present tenure of each of the committees that have been constituted; and

(d) when are the other committees that have not been constituted and are likely to be constituted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Following Committees, on which non-officials members from the public are nominated, are functioning under the Ministry of External Affairs:—

1. Central Haj Committee, Bombay
2. Hindi Advisory Committee
3. Hindi Book Selection Committee
4. 3 Statutory Bodies of the Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR):
   - (i) General Assembly,
   - (ii) Governing Body,
   - (iii) Finance Committee, and
   - (iv) Any other committee which the President, General Assembly or Governing Body may set up for discharging any of the functions of the Council. The list of Advisory Panels of ICCR is laid on the Table of the House as Statement. I (*See* below).

(b) Names and addresses of members on (i) Central Haj Committee, (ii) Hindi Advisory Committee and (iii) Hindi Book Selection Committee, are given in the Statement laid on the Table of the House as Statement II (*See* below).

(c) (i) Central Haj Committee, Bombay not less than 3 years

(ii) Hindi Advisory Committee—3 years

(iii) Hindi Book Selection Committee-1 year

(iv) 3 Statutory Bodies and Advisory Panels of ICCR-3 years

(d) (i) The present term of Statutory Bodies of ICCR expired on 31.5.92. The Statutory Bodies are in the process of being reconstituted.

(ii) It is also proposed to have Passport Advisory Committees.

Statement

Advisory Panels of I.C.C.R.

(a) Advisory Panel for Africa,

(b) Advisory Panel for South and South East Asia,

(c) Advisory Panel for Latin America and the Carilbbean.

(d) Advisory Panel for Overseas Indians,

(e) Advisory Panel for Publications,

(f) Advisory Panel for Theatre,

(g) Advisory Panel for Dance,

(h) Advisory Panel for Music,

(i) Advisory Panel for Folk and Puppetry,

(j) Advisory Panel for Traditional Art and Craft; and

(k) Advisory Panel on Contemporary Art.

Statement II

Present Composition of the Haj Committee Bombay, Constituted in February, 1989

1.	Shri Salamatullah, Chairman(since April, 92)	Congress (I)	A coopted member.
2.	Shri Ahmedl B. Zakaria, Vice Chairman (since April, 92)	Janata Dal	Maharashtra Govt's nominee.
3.	Shri Alamadar Hussain, Vice Chairman (since April, 92)	Congress (I)	A coopted as Shia member.
4.	Shri Shahzada Shabbir Bhaisahab Nuruddin.	....	A coopted as Shia Bohara member
5.	Shri B. Akbar Pasha, MP Member	Congress (I)	Speaker, Lok Sabha's nominee.
6.	Shri Syed Shahabuddin, MP Member.	Janata Dal	Speaker, Lok Sabha's nominee.
7.	Shri Mohammad Afzal, MP Member	Janata Dal	Chairman, Rajya Sabha's nominee.
8.	Smt. Sayada Anwara Taimur, Minister for Agriculture, Haj & Augaf, Government of Assam.	Congress (I)	Central Government's nominee.
9.	Prof. A.A. Kazi, Head, Department of political science, St. Xavier College, Bombay; Member.	Congress (I)	Central Government's nominee.
10.	Shri Nihal Ahmed, MLA, Maharashtra Legislative Assembly; Member.	Janata Dal	Nominated by the Speaker, Maharashtra Legislative Assembly.
11.	Shri Kazi A. Khaliq A. Kadar Vakil, Minister for Law and Justice, Textile & Auqaf, Govt. of Maharashtra; Member.	Congress (I)	Nominated by the Speaker of Maharashtra Legislative Assembly.
12.	..... (vacant since April, 92)		Nominee of the Municipal Corporation of Greater Bombay.
13.	..... (vacant sicne April, 92)		Nominee of the Municipal Corporation of Greater Bombay
14.	Commissioner of Police, Bombay, Ex-officio Member.		
15.	Municipal Commissioner, Bombay, Ex-officio Member.		
16.	Collector of Customs, Bombay; Ex-officio Membr.		
17.	Chairman, Bombay Port Trust; Ex-officio Member.		
18.	Bombay Port Health Officer; Ex-officio Member.		
19.	Principal Officer, Mercantile Marine Department; Ex-officio Member.		

The list of members of Hindi Advisory Committee of Ministry of External Affairs as on 31-7-1992

1.	Minister ror External Affairs	Chairman
2.	Minister of State	Vice Chairman
3.	Sh. Chitta Basu M.P. (Lok Sabha) 1. Gurudwara Rakab Ganj Road, New Delhi-110001. 2. Champadali, PO Barsat, 24 Paragana (West Bengal)—563406	
4.	Sh. Aslam Sher Khan, M.P. (Lok Sabha) 1. 5 B.D. Marg, New Delhi-110001 2. HIG, No. 1, Near Sheeraj Hotal, Shivaji Nagar, Bhopal.	
5.	Sh. Chander Sharma, M.P. (Rajya Sabha) 1. 119, South Avenue, New Delhi 2. Village Kandi Bhatol (Detwal) PO-Kandy Bhatol, Tehsil-Shilai Distt.-Sirmor (HP)	
6.	Sh. M.S. Lather, M.P. (Rajya Sabha) 1. A-7, MS Building, Baba Khadak Singh Marg, Opp. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, New Delhi. 2. Opposite Dayal Singh College, Karnal, Haryana.	
7.	Sh. Vithal Rao M. Jadhav, M.P. (Rajya Sabha) 1. 34, North Avenue, New Delhi. 2. Bhagya Nagar, Naded, Maharashtra.	
8.	Sh. Chandu Bhai Deshmukh; M.P. Lok Sabha. 1. 9, Talkatora Road, New Delhi. 2. Vidyalaya Road, Rajapa-pila, Distt. Baroch, Gujarat.	
9.	Shri Sudhakar Pandey, Ex-MP, Pradhan Mantri, Nagri Pracharani Sabha, Gola Dinanath, Varanasi.	

10. Shri Ved Pratap Vaidik,
Editor, Varta, PTI,
New Delhi.

11. Dr. Kumari Rama Singh,
B-109 , Indira Nagar, Lucknow

12. Dr. Mazda Asad,
1275, Punjabi Fatak,
Balimaran, Delhi-110006.

13. Prof. T.N. Bali,
6 D, Maurice Nagar,
Delhi-110007.

14. Shri S.K. Velayudhen Nayar,
Mantri, Kerala Hindi Prachar
Sabha, Trivendrum.

15. Smt. Marinal Pande, Editor,
Saptahik Hindustan,
Hindustan Times House,
18-20 Kasturba Gandhi Marg,
New Delhi-110001.

16. Shri Dattatray Mishra,
President,
Hind Bhashi Samaj Sangathan,
Rashtrabhasha Vidyapeeth,
Shyama Prasad Road,
Silchar, Assam.

17. Dr. Gopal, Rai,
Professor's Quarter, Rani, Ghat,
Patna.

18. Shri Arun Kumar, Advocate,
Sitamarhi, Bihar.

19. Shri Arjun Bhartiya, Journalist,
Raxual, Bihar.

20. President,
Kendriya Sachivalaya Hindi
Parishad, XY-68, Sarojini Nagar,
New Delhi.

Official Members

21. Foreign Secretary.

22. Secretary (FA) Ministry of External Affairs

23. Secretary, Deptt. of Official Language
North Block, New Delhi.

24. Joint Secretary,
Deptt. of Official Language,
Lok Nayak Bhavan,
New Delhi.

25. Joint Secretary (Coord)

26. Joint Secretary (UN)

27. Joint Secretary (CPV)

28. Joint Secretary (XP)

29. Joint Secretary (Admn.)

30. Director General, ICCR, Azad Bhavan, New Delhi.

Hindi Book Selection Committee

Official Members.

1. Joint Secretary (Ad) - Chairman.
2. Director (Fin) - Member.
3. Director (XP) - Member.
4. OSD (Hindi) - Members Secretary.

Non-Official Members.

1. Shri B.P. Sinha, Former Ambassador of India to Surinam.
2. Dr. Ramdarsh Mishra, Professor, Delhi University.
3. Shri Himanshu Joshi, Asstt. Editor, Saptahik Hindustan.
4. Dr. Gopal Rai, Professor, Patna University.
5. Dr. Vijyendra Snatak, Professor and famous author of Hindi.
6. Dr. Ramesh Sharma, Retd. Professor of Hindi, Kashmir University.
7. Shri T.N. Bali, Professor, Delhi University.
8. Shri Raman Naidu, Dakshin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras.

Service Condition of local employees of Foreign Missions

3146. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have set out certain minimum standard of service conditions by way of Model Contract form for the employment of local employees of the Foreign Missions in India a few years ago;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the Foreign missions in India who have accepted this Model Contract and those which have not; and

(d) whether Foreign Missions in India which have not accepted this Model Contract would be persuaded to accept same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUADRO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In 1975, all Foreign Diplomatic Missions in India were provided with a copy of a Model Contract which contained the terms and conditions of employment, which Diplomatic Missions might enter into with their Indian employees in order to ensure that both sides were aware of their rights and obligations. The Model Contract indicated the minimum terms that should be offered to the Indian employees. It was also mentioned that the Missions would be at liberty to offer larger benefits if they so wish by modifying the agreement. In 1988, some changes were made in the Model Contract suggesting a few favourable terms to the benefit of local employees.

(c) & (d) Since the terms and conditions mentioned in the Model Contract are suggestive in nature, the Diplomatic Missions are not obliged to inform the Ministry whether or not they have accepted the Model Contract. However, in any case in which the Missions have not paid the dues of their employees according to the Model Contract, is brought to the notice of this Ministry, the concerned Mission is requested to pay them on the basis of the Contract.

Issue of Passports

3147. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Estimates Committee of Parliament has recommended enactment